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Dear All,

Sub: Rapid appraisal of District level preparedness and performance of health system regarding management of COVID-19 cases in Karnataka.

As you are aware, Department of Health and Family Welfare, along with the whole of State machinery is currently combating the COVID-19 pandemic. In this regard, the State has shared several guidelines, protocols and instructions with the District administration for taking appropriate COVID-19 control activities at the District level.

Presently, there is need for a quick appraisal of district level preparedness of health system to tackle the COVID-19 problem. This is primarily intended to support and strengthen the District administration and District health system to efficiently manage the COVID-19 outbreak. In this context a meeting was held with Public Health Experts from Centre for Public Health @ NIMHANS and it was decided to plan, implement, coordinate and compile the findings of quick appraisal of District level Health system. The following output is expected at the end of the activity.

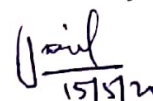
- a) Brief report on the status of District level preparedness and performance of health system for managing COVID-19
- b) Recommendations for strengthening the District level COVID-19 control activities
- c) Indicators for monitoring the District level COVID-19 control activities.

The Centre for Public Health @ NIMHANS under Dr.Pradeep.B.S and his team are requested to carry out the activity and submit the report. In this context, District administration is instructed to extend all support to the team of experts and facilitate their assessment in your district including travelling and accommodation of the team members.

Registrar, RGUHS is instructed to extend the video conferencing facility to conduct training for the above assignment. Director, HFW is instructed to coordinate the logistics (travelling and accommodation) and financial support (upto 1.00 lakh) for development of web based application for data collection and towards design and development of web based monitoring dash board.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


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1. Sri. B.H. Anil Kumar, IAS, Commissioner, BBMP, Bengaluru.
2. Sri. Pankaj Kumar Pandey, IAS, Commissioner, Health & Family Welfare Services, Bengaluru.
3. All Deputy Commissioners
4. Dr B N Gangadhar, Director, NIMHANS - with a request to direct Dr. Pradeep.B.S and team to carry out the study.
5. Sri. Shivanand Kapasi, IAS Registrar, RGUHS, Benglauru.
6. Dr. Pradeep.B.S., Additional Professor, Epidemiology and Dr. Gururaj, Centre for Public Health, NIMHANS
7. Director Health and Family Welfare Services – for logistic and financial support
8. Director, Medical Education – to direct the Medical Colleges to facilitate formation of assessment teams
9. All DHO/DSO/ Programme officers – for coordination with the assessment team.
10. Dr. Riyaz Basha/Dr. Shanmukhappa / Dr. Amrut Kadam – to coordinate and facilitate the activity.